

Business Process Engineering BS-SE (13)

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Question 1 (a):

Answer: The general process chart summarizes the current process, the redesigned process and the expected improvements from proposed changes.

Characterizes the process by

- The number of activities by category
 - the amount of time spent in each activity category
 - the corresponding percentage of the total processing time spent on each category
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Question 1 (b):

Answer:

Disadvantages:

- Only considers average activity times.
 - If the process includes several variants with different paths each variant needs its own activity chart.
 - Cannot depict parallel activities.
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Question 1 (c):

Answer:

LD Formula: $LD_Score(i, j) = Load(i, j) * Distance(i, j)$

Calculation for LD of two distances

Given		Current Design		Proposed Design	
Centres	Load	Distance	LD Score	Distance	LD Score
(A, B)	20	2	40	1	20
(A, D)	20	1	20	1	20
(A, F)	80	3	240	3	240
(B, C)	10	2	20	1	10

(B, E)	75	3	225	1	75
(C, D)	15	1	15	3	45
(C, F)	90	1	90	1	90
(C, E)	70	2	140	1	70
TOTAL	-	-	790	-	570 (min)

The LD for the proposed design has 570 min which is better than current design.

Question 2 (a):

Answer:

Formula: $WIP = \min_1 * job_1 + \min_2 * job_2 + \min_3 * job_3 \dots \min_n * job_n / \text{Sum}(\text{mins})$

$$\text{Average WIP} = 3*10 + 6*20 + 5*20 + 2*10 / 10+20+20+10$$

$$\Rightarrow 4.5 \text{ Jobs}$$

Question 2 (b):

Answer:

Formulas:

- Activity Time= Waiting Time + Process Time
- CT (for multiple paths) = $p_1T_1 + p_2T_2 + \dots + p_mT_m = \sum_{i=1}^m p_iT_i$

Where

- p_i = The probability that a job is routed to path i
- T_i = The time to go down path i

$$\text{CT Efficiency} = \text{Theoretical Cycle Time} / \text{CT}$$

Given calculated table

Activity	Waiting Time (min)	Process Time (min)	Activity Time (min)
A	20	12	32
B	15	18	33
C	5	30	35
D	12	17	29
E	3	12	15
F	5	25	30
G	8	7	15
H	5	10	15
I	15	25	40
J	5	20	25
K	4	10	14

$$CT = 10 + 0.1 \cdot 20 + 25 + 0.9 \cdot 24 + 0.15 \cdot (12 + 23 + 35) + 15 = 84.1 \text{ min}$$

$$\text{Process time} = 12 + 0.1 \cdot 18 + 17 + 0.9 \cdot 30 + 0.15 \cdot (12 + 25 + 7) + 10 = 74.4 \text{ min}$$

Now, To compute the CT Efficiency here below;

$$CT \text{ Efficiency} = 74.4 / 84.1 = 0.88$$

Question 3:

Answer: Defining:

N_i = no of jobs taking path i

P_i = probability

$$N_i = n \cdot p_i$$

Step 1: Unit load for resource $j = \sum_{i=9}^m \cdot T_i$

Step 2: Unit capacity for resource $j = 1/\text{unit load for resource}$

Step 3: Pool capacity = $M \cdot \text{Unit capacity} = M/\text{unit load}$

Resource	Unit Load(Min)	Unit Capacity Jobs/min	Available Resources	Pool Capacity Jobs/min
R1	$2 + 5 \cdot 0.3 + 2 = 5.5$	$1/5.5$	2	$2/5.5 = 0.36$
R2	$8 + 1.1 \cdot (3 + 4) = 15.7$	$1/15.7$	2	$2/15.7 = 0.13$
R3	$4 + 2 = 6$	$1/6$	1	$1/6 = 0.17$

Question 4:

Answer:

TOC Methodology:

- **Identify:** Identify the system constraints
 - **Exploit:** Determine how to exploit the constraints
 - **Subordinate:** reviewing other activities in the process to ensure that they are aligned
 - **Elevate:** Elevate the constraints to improve performance
 - **Repeat:** if the current constraints are eliminated return to step 1
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